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China and Japan Are Not Ready to Arbitrate.

## LI HUNG CHANG IS A WONGPA

The Once All Powerful Viceroy in Deep Disgrace--Japan Is Not Anxious for England's Interference in the Matter of Adjusting Difficulties.

By the United Press.

Washington, Nov. 15.—There seems to be a hitch in the proposed United States mediation in the Chinese-Japanese war. It is understood that no notification has yet been received from Japan of the acceptance of the United States offer of mediation, though that proposition was called to the government at Tokyo on Nov. 6. China, to whom, through Minister Denby, the same proposition was made on the same day, is said to have given a reluctant assent, as it is understood, hampered by conditions which do not seem to have been complied with.

Frequent interviews have been had within the past few days between Secretary Gresham and the Chinese and Japanese ministers, but whatever may have been accomplished by these conferences, it is quite clear today that no agreement has been arrived at which contemplates a suspension of hostilities on the part of Japan, and no such agreement would seem to be immediately in prospect. There is an impression prevailing in diplomatic circles that the offer of mediation on the part of the United States may fail of its object.

London, Nov. 15.—The Shanghai correspondent of the Central News says that the Emperor of China received the foreign ministers today within the precincts of Peking palace.

Li Hung Chang's vicissitudes have had a noteworthy effect upon the popular mind. A caricature published in Tien Tsin and pasted on the walls represents him on the back of a tortoise with a cannon under his right arm sinking a Japanese cruiser. Another shows him as a fish on the point of being hooked. In one placard Li Hung Chang is called Wokpa—the lowest name of derision.

Yokohama, Nov. 15.—The newspapers here report Great Britain's offer of intervention, which they regard as entirely a movement to bring about peace. They say that Great Britain's influence in the east is placed in jeopardy by this offer, which wounds Japanese feeling.

The newspapers of this city, assuming, apparently, that the reports of the capture of Port Arthur by the Japanese were untrue, say that the defenses of that place are reported to be stronger on the land side than on the sea front. The Japanese expect that, if the Chinese make any defense, the assault will be bloody.

Chemulpo, Korea, Nov. 15.—The Korean government officials who have a Japan leaning have been engaged in preparing a constitution which will be promulgated early in 1895. Numbers of Korean soldiers who have been sent against the Tongkangs have joined the rebels, whose numbers are increasing daily. The country south of Seoul is in a state of great turmoil.

## IVES IS STILL AHEAD.

Results of the Great Billiard Match in New York.

By the United Press.

New York, Nov. 15.—There has been a gradual increase in the attendance at the great billiard match between Jacob Schaefer and Frank C. Ives. There was a big house tonight and an exceptionally large number of elegantly dressed women present. The spectators were highly enthusiastic, and every difficult or brilliant shot was greeted with loud applause. This was especially so when Schaefer made his great run of 24 points. Schaefer did not keep up this brilliant pace, however, and Ives evened things up pretty well with a run of 17, which brought him up to within 15 points of his adversary, and in the sixth inning they finished even, each having made 330 points.

Ives brought his score up to 2,400 and Schaefer brought his up to 1,794 by tonight's play. Ives averaged for the night was 56-7; grand average, 48-49. Schaefer averaged for the night was 54-9-13; grand average, 48-49.

## SHOT BY HIS OWN GUN.

Dawson's Trap to Catch Burglars in His Store Ends His Own Life.

By the United Press.

Pittsburg, Nov. 15.—William H. Dawson, a merchant of Smith's Ferry, near here, was fatally shot yesterday by a trap gun set in his store to shoot burglars. The store has been burglarized several times of late, and every attempt to capture the thieves has proved futile. Dawson arranged a loaded shotgun with a system of wires attached so that a person walking about in the store at night would discharge the gun and receive the loads from both barrels.

Yesterday morning as he was opening the store for business he accidentally tripped on one of the wires and was fatally shot. One arm was nearly torn off and his abdomen was terribly lacerated. He died on the train while being brought to a hospital in this city.

## CZAR FOND OF WALESKI.

His Attentions to the English Prince Have Caused Comment.

By the United Press.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 15.—The czar's constant and marked attentions to the Prince of Wales, here called Waleski, have been much noticed and are thought to preclude other relations between England and Russia.

Although not officially announced, the wedding of the czar and the Princess Alix is quite likely to take place on Nov. 23 or 24. This is said to have been Alexander III's dying wish. The date of the funeral is still unknown. It is now as likely to be the 17th as the 29th.

## ROSEBERY'S DOUBTS.

He Further Belongs His Intentions Regarding the House of Lords.

By the United Press.

London, Nov. 15.—Speaking at Glasgow last night, Prime Minister Rosebery stated that the Liberal programme would include Scotch and

Welsh disestablishment and local veto. He declared that he was not a single-chamber man, but that he did not despair of solving the problem which America, France and Hungary had solved, to the perfect satisfaction of their respective people.

Lord Rosebery's reference to the house of lords is variously interpreted. The Times, in leader, says it indicates that nothing will be done prior to an appeal to the country. The Daily News says that the speech disposes altogether of the idle rumor that the government intends to dissolve parliament at an early date. The Graphic approves of Lord Rosebery's suggested reform of the house of lords, but is suspicious of his intentions while the terms of the resolution that will deal with the matter are undisclosed.

## SOVEREIGN'S ADDRESS.

The Master Workman Advises Consolidation of Labor Organizations and Advocates the Abolition of Militia.

By the United Press.

New Orleans, Nov. 15.—Immediately after the opening of the afternoon session of the Knights of Labor grand Master Workman Sovereign delivered his annual address, which was an exhaustive and elaborate review of the work of the order from its inception. He attributed the decrease in the membership of the order to the depression in business circles, prevalent bankruptcy, and wages and enforced idleness of the laboring class.

He reviewed his action of last January, when he secured the services of Judge Cole and filed a bill in the district court of the District of Columbia, setting forth special grievances of his order and protesting against the issuance of bonds by the secretary of the treasury, after characterizing the writ of injunction from the United States Circuit court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin as a "despotic injunction."

Referring to the American Railway union affiliation, Mr. Sovereign advised a consolidation with this as well as with other labor organizations. His review of the Pullman strike terminated in a severe criticism of Major General Schofield and the recommendations of that officer for an increase of the army together with the action of "Chicago's millionaire aristocracy who were permitted to present a stand of colors to the Fifteenth Infantry," which he said was an indication of an "uneasy desire to subjugate labor through the military powers of the nation."

He urged that the assembly take strong grounds against an increase of the military forces of the nation and they "advocate a decrease in the regular army and the abolition of the state militia, for from them are coming to the surface the sentiments of a military despotism."

## DREXEL FIRM EXPIRES.

A New House Will Be Organized by Pierpont Morgan.

By the United Press.

New York, Nov. 15.—It is announced that the firm of Drexel, Morgan & Co., under its present title, will expire by limitation on January 1, 1895. A new firm will then be organized under the title of J. Pierpont Morgan & Co. The change is due to the death of A. J. Drexel and J. Hood Wright.

The London house will also be organized, and after a date mentioned, will be known as Morgan, Harfen & Co. The Paris branch, Drexel, Harfen & Co., will remain the same. No changes are contemplated in the Philadelphia house of Drexel & Co., but the house will establish a branch in Boston, taking in Jacob Rogers, who has represented Drexel & Co. in New England for some time past.

## STRANGLER AT LARGE.

The Murderer of the Japanese Girl Is Still at Large.

By the United Press.

Denver, Col., Nov. 15.—The murder of the Japanese girl, Kiku Oyama, has aroused such a feeling of indignation among the men who own property in that quarter that they have offered a reward of \$1,000 for the capture of the stranger. Each day the fear of the women of "Strangler's Row" increases. Many of the houses in the block have been vacated since the murder. The latest report of the remains of the girl was begun this afternoon, but nothing new has developed.

## Will Contest Holcomb's Election.

By the United Press.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 15.—After debating the question for some time the members of the Republican state central committee announced today that they would contest the election of Judge Holcomb to the governorship.

## Bomb-Flends at Work.

By the United Press.

Brussels, Nov. 15.—A bomb exploded today in a low tavern in Boulevard-Ameriques, Province of Hainaut, the building was shattered. No arrests have been made.

## MINOR WIRINGS.

Financially troubled Alfred Ditterbach, a Toledo drummer, to shoot himself in a Columbus square.

For defalcation of \$4,000, ex-Postmaster W. H. Brown, Ohio, was sent to prison for three years.

A dispute over land at Sumner, O. T., caused Marion S. Gardner to shoot fatally Postmaster A. R. Youree.

During a gale in Saginaw Bay, Mich., the schooner John Shaw went down, but the crew of eight were saved.

By a fall from the mizenmast of the bark Tille, of Gloucester, Mass., John Shenson, a seaman, was killed.

In the absence of Abram Smith and wife, of Kellar, La., from home, their cabin was burned, cremating three children.

The investigating judge of Toronto finds Alderman W. T. Stewart guilty of soliciting bribes from an electric light company.

By falling in his barn with a lantern, Henry Binder, of Ann Arbor, Mich., set his clothing on fire and was burned to death.

Indictments against the president and secretary of an investment company, charged with running a lottery, were quashed at St. Louis.

After three days' chase, James McLaughlin, of New York, who shot Timothy Dwyer, the Tammany captain, was caught near Rhinecliff, N. Y.

The American Express company elected as director Henry M. Whitney, brother of ex-Secretary Whitney, and ex-president of the West End railway of Boston.

The United States court of appeals at Boston has decided that "gold rolled east steel" for use in making clock springs must pay an ad valorem duty of 50 per cent.

## DISASTROUS FOREST FIRES

Several Colorado Mining Towns Are Swept By Flames.

## EXCITEMENT AT BOULDER

Fire Sweeps the Western Portion of Gold Hill, Destroying Valuable Property. Inhabitants Fleeing for Their Lives. The Loss Over \$1,000,000.

By the United Press.

Boulder, Colo., Nov. 15.—A forest fire which was started from a camp fire last evening has been raging all night and today north of the mining camp of Gold Hill, a town of 500 inhabitants, fifteen miles from here, fifty people came into Boulder this afternoon in wagons from Gold Hill, mostly women and children. They report that the business men and miners were carrying what goods and property they could into the mining tunnels and had abandoned hope of saving their stores and dwellings. All the buildings at Camp Talcott, a short distance from Gold Hill, were burned except the stamp mill. The fire has reached the western portion of Gold Hill burning the mill of the Prussian mine. Several ranch houses were burned this morning, two men being badly burned.

At 3 p. m. the fire was spreading toward the town of Copper Rock. The gravity of the case is fully appreciated here in Boulder, and the utmost excitement prevails. It is believed many small camps will be burned. The residents of Gold Hill who have not come to Boulder have assembled on the top of Horseshoe mountain and are watching the progress of the flames as they consume their former homes. The wind is blowing furiously and drives the fire before it in large sheets of flame.

The property loss will amount to over \$1,500,000.

Denver, Col., Nov. 15.—At 2 o'clock a fierce wind and dust storm struck the city from the north, filling the air so that it was impossible to see across the street for a long time. Many plate glass windows and awnings were destroyed. The temperature fell twenty degrees in thirty minutes.

Before the storm broke dense clouds of smoke could be plainly seen rolling up the mountains around Gold Hill, forty miles distant. At 6 o'clock a wet snow began falling, but it is probably too late to save Gold Hill from destruction.

## THE OPERATORS ACT.

Proposed Plans Calculated to Bring the Carrying Corporations to Terms with Individual Mine Owners.

By the United Press.

New York, Nov. 15.—It was learned today that the general managers of the individual Anthracite Coal Operations association at their meeting yesterday adopted the following resolution:

Whereas, The individual operators on the line of the Lehigh Valley having consistently restricted their coal shipments for the general good of the coal interest, and this course having failed to carry forth, so far, co-operation on the part of the other coal mining interests, therefore a committee from the board of managers of the Anthracite Coal Operators' association representing the shippers of the Lehigh Valley, request the Lehigh Valley Coal Company to meet the market and sell their coal at the best price obtainable at any and all points in order that line and the tide-water prices may be in harmony.

Thomas Green, secretary of the individual operators' association, asserted that in case the price of coal at tide-water points becomes so low that it precludes the possibility of a fair profit to the producers, that Coke Bros. & Co. will in future give to the manufacturers and dealers using and selling anthracite coal at all points the benefit of New York tide-water prices, and will hereafter quote for shipments to interior and line points the same prices as the mines as the New York prices, less the freight.

The individual anthracite coal operators think this policy will bring the coal carrying corporations to a realizing sense of their obligations to the producers, and that, at least, it will prevent the commercial iniquity of forcing a dealer in an interior town to pay 50 cents per ton for the same quality and the same quantity of anthracite coal, more than a dealer in a seaport town has to pay, simply because the interior dealer is not protected by tide-water point argument. Mr. Green further said that the enforcement of such a policy as contemplated by the individual operators would, in a single year, make a difference of ten million dollars in the receipts of the coal carrying and owners' corporation.

## ERASTUS WIMAN'S APPEAL.

The Case Cannot Be Heard Until December Term.

By the United Press.

New York, Nov. 15.—The appeal of Erastus Wiman from the conviction and sentence in the case of oyer and terminer for five years and six months in state prison for forgery, was on the calendar for argument in the general term of the supreme court today. Erastus Wiman was there, accompanied by his counsel.

Assistant Chief Justice Van Brunt announced that the case would not be reached, and must, therefore, go over until the December term.

## BOND BIDS LIVELY.

Applications for Subscription Blanks Are Numerous.

By the United Press.

New York, Nov. 15.—There was 125 applications at the sub-treasury for subscription blanks and Secretary Carlisle's circular on the new bond issue. The officials believe that the bids from the public will be more numerous than when the February issue was made.

Secretary Carlisle has notified the chamber of commerce that he will be unable to speak at the annual dinner on Tuesday next.

## LOCATING THE COOKS.

An Organized posse Will Endeavor to Capture the Bandits.

By the United Press.

Muskegon, I. T., Nov. 15.—A courier has just arrived from the Arkansas bottoms and reports that he, by chance, ran into the Cook gang in their quarters. They received him without fear of their whereabouts being reported to the officers. A number of farmers who live near the rendezvous of the gang have just arrived and reported to United States Attorney Jackson the situation, and have asked that they be commissioned and permitted to lead twenty deputy marshals against the outlaws. A plan of operation has been suggested by United States Attorney Jackson, who, while United States attorney in Mexico, successfully planned the capture of several desperadoes in that country.

The posse was given full authority and at once started for the gang's quarters. As the farmers are familiar with the country in which the bandits are hiding, the report of a battle is expected soon unless news of the plan is carried to the gang.

## BASE BALL MAGNATES MEET

Members of the National and Eastern Leagues in Session.

## ABOUT PERCENTAGE SYSTEM

The Little Clubs Give Up Rich Revenue. Buffalo's Club Will Remain in the Eastern League—Mr. Powers Vouches for the Uncertain Club.

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"There is no foundation whatever," he said, "for such a report. The twelve clubs that form the league are bound together for ten years, and the idea of a split has never been contemplated, and is mere idle talk."

## RIDGEWAY ANARCHISTS.

Seven Suspects Are Now in the Jail Charged with Crime—Some Old Offenders on the List.

By the United Press.

Ridgeway, Pa., Nov. 15.—There have been charged with conspiracy, arson and other crimes since the seven suspects were taken into custody yesterday by officers in charge of Daniel Mcweeney. Detectives are at work and arrests are expected soon of several men suspected of burning a non-union workman's barn in Soudersburg township.

Under arrest have been waived a preliminary hearing and their trial will come up in the criminal court next week. All were committed to jail in default of bail. The bail demanded of some of the prisoners against whom there are charges aggregates \$5,500.

Those who are now in jail are: Frank Myers, who is charged with murder and arson in the burning and destruction of property, and having instigated the blowing up of a house with dynamite, the shooting of the death of a boy and the maiming of several other persons. It is said Myers has served a term in prison, having been found guilty of cutting a right track.

Ludwig Rosenbeck, charged with murder and arson, having manufactured the bomb which killed the boy.

Edward Pond, charged with murder and arson, in having touched off the bomb.

Leo Worm, charged with arson and murder, in having helped discharge the bomb.

William Gelter, charged with arson, in having applied the torch to many houses that were burned. It was Gelter's talkativeness that put detectives in the right track.

Spashtian (Schwenter), charged with arson, being implicated with Gelter.

Joseph Gelter, also implicated with Gelter and accused of arson.

## JOHN Y. MCKANE'S SAFE.

The Ex-Boss's Strong Box Contained No Valuables.

By the United Press.

Brooklyn, Nov. 15.—The safe of John Y. McKane, the ex-boss of Gravesend, who is now in Sing Sing prison, was opened in the municipal building this morning by the board of assessors, and to the great surprise and consternation of all, it was empty.

The only thing they found were a white slip of blank paper partly torn, through the center, and a small metal brass bolt. The Brooklyn authorities have been at work for three months trying to get possession of the safe and the books and papers supposed to be locked therein, and expected to show conclusively whether McKane is behind in his accounts with the town. McKane signed an order a few days ago allowing the assessors to open the safe.

## LYNCHERS WERE MODEST.

They Did Not Materialize in Time to Hang Joe Conrad.

By the United Press.

Lebanon, Ind., Nov. 15.—The mob that was reported to be on their way from Zionsville to Lynch Joe Conrad, who fatally shot John Motts at that place Tuesday night, did not materialize. Conrad, who was sprung the center, was being closely guarded, and the would-be lynchers will be met with bullets if they persist.

The woman in connection with the case has been driven out of the town.

## Blizzards in Nebraska.

By the United Press.

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 15.—Reports from the central and western parts of the state tell of a severe blizzard which is raging and much serious damage to range stock is feared.

## She Avenged a Wrong.

By the United Press.

Stockton, Cal., Nov. 15.—Edith Elder shot and killed Frank Quinn this morning and then fatally shot herself. Quinn had wronged the young woman under a promise of marriage.

## A Town Destroyed by Fire.

By the United Press.

Mason City, Ia., Nov. 15.—The town of Sheffield, fifteen miles south of here, on the Iowa-Missouri line, was totally burned last night. The loss is estimated at least \$100,000.

## KEYSTONE VIGNETTES.

Charged with selling bogus Mexican lottery tickets, John H. Blouse was nabbed at Reading.

While hunting near Thymannock, Romaine Copwell accidentally shot himself, dying shortly afterward.

Furniture manufacturers in the West Branch valley met at Williamsport to organize for mutual benefit.

Burglars cracked the safe in Kinsey's distillery, near Pottsville, got no cash, but stole twenty-five gallons of whiskey.

For compelling motemen to run cars faster than the law allows, the Eastern Traction company was censured by the coroner's jury.

At Gettysburg last evening the jury returned a verdict convicting Alfred Wagoner of manslaughter for killing his cousin, Jacob W. Wagoner, at the South mountains.

In response to a petition from the Center county bar, asking him not to resign, President Judge Furst gave an answer that he would continue on the bench until his term expires on Jan. 7 next.

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The western delegates sat around the hotel discussing the question of division in the league with much earnestness. They all said there was nothing whatever in the reported split in the National league. In connection with the 8-club league rumor, it was said that if possible a place was to be made in the league for the Buffalo club, now of the Eastern league.

This rumor of Buffalo's entering the National league was positively denied this morning by President Powers, of the Eastern league. "Buffalo will stay in the Eastern league," said Mr. Powers. "She is making more money than she would as a sixth or seventh place club in the National league. She has the desire to withdraw from the Eastern and enter the National league, she could not. She has agreed and arranged to stay where she is."

## The Percentage System.

The greater portion of today's meeting of the National Base Ball league was taken up in adjusting the percentage system. The high clubs did all in their power, but could not make the small clubs yield to their 50 and 40 per cent proposition. This scheme had to be finally abandoned and another tack taken. This was to strike out Section 49 of the constitution, which requires each club to put 10 per cent of their receipts of each game into the general fund that was divided among the clubs at the end of each month.

The little clubs were well provided for by the above section and were carried along and virtually supported by the big clubs. They realized the fact that they would have to concede something to prevent hostilities, and they were finally persuaded to agree to do away with the system of paying 10 per cent into the general treasury to be divided monthly. In order to accomplish this Section 49 was stricken out and a clause added to Section 48 to make it read as follows: "Section 48. The general admission fee to all championship games shall be 25 cents, but each club shall designate a part of its grounds and provide seats thereon, the admission fee to which shall be 25 cents and all divisions of percentage shall be made on the basis of 50 cents, except as to that part of the grounds the admission fee to which is fixed at 25 cents, and as to such parts of said grounds all division of percentages shall be on the basis of 25 cents. At the conclusion of each championship game the home club shall deliver to the manager of the visiting club and shall transmit by mail to the president of the visiting club a duplicate of the same, and the visiting club shall pay the same to the home club on the basis of 50 per centum."

## Officers Elected.

A committee of three was appointed to receive and consider any amendments to the playing rules and submit the same to the league at its meeting in the spring. The committee consists of Ned Hanlon, F. D. Robinson and James A. Hart.

N. E. Young was re-elected president of the league for a term of three years. J. T. Brush, Cincinnati; J. A. Hart, Chicago; Chris Von Ahe, St. Louis; C. H. Byrne, Brooklyn; A. H. Soden, Boston, and H. R. Von Der Horst, Baltimore, were elected as board of directors. They represent three eastern and three western clubs, and were elected by ballot instead of by lot as heretofore.

The national board was re-elected and consists of A. H. Soden, C. H. Byrne and President Young.

A resolution was adopted giving the committee on playing rules instruction to report at the spring meeting such amendments as may be necessary to compel the umpire to enforce the playing rules, particularly those preventing noisy coaching and rowdy or disorderly conduct on the ball field.

Harry Wright was elected chief of umpires, and Henry Chadwick, the veteran base ball reporter, was elected an honorary member of the national league, which swells the list of honorary members to five, the